

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: March 24, 1995

SUBJECT: **HB 370 - SB 690**

This bill, if enacted, will include assisted living facilities within the categories of service provided that qualify for reimbursement if otherwise permitted by law or federal waiver.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in state expenditures to the TennCare Program. Assisted living facilities could include numerous possibilities, since this term is not defined in the bill. Any facility providing minimal assistance would appear to qualify. In order to cover a service under the waiver option, the service must have a direct linkage to the qualification for admission to a nursing home and be an alternative to the nursing home admission. The amount of increase would depend upon the number of persons in these facilities that would be covered. This amount cannot be reasonably determined but is estimated to exceed \$4,000,000 in additional costs to the TennCare Program.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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